

House Resolution No. 1687

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens or distinguished themselves through significant personal achievement; and

Whereas, the members now pause to recognize Thomas Currier, of St. Louis, Missouri, who has been honored by being named Honorary Co-Chair of the 1904 World's Fair Charitable Foundation Board, an office that will be officially bestowed upon him on April 9, 2008, in the State Capitol; and

Whereas, Thomas Currier is the great-grandson of David R. Francis, Mayor of St. Louis (1885-1889), Governor of the State of Missouri (1889-1893), United States Secretary of the Interior (1896-1897), and the last United States Ambassador to the Russian Empire (1916-1917); and

Whereas, David R. Francis was also the President of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, also known as the 1904 St. Louis World's Fair, that celebrated President Thomas Jefferson's expansion west of the Mississippi River and ultimately doubled the size of the United States; and

Whereas, the 1904 World's Fair Charitable Foundation includes prominent individuals from business, media, religious, and political communities who lend their good names and reputations to help the Foundation accomplish its goals; and

Whereas, the 1904 World's Fair Charitable Foundation is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization founded on March 14, 2002, to celebrate the memory of the 1904 World's Fair and Olympics hosted by Saint Louis in Forest Park; and

Whereas, the 1904 World's Fair Charitable Foundation also raises capital for the Forest Park beautification program and to assist other local charities in a wide variety of fund-raising efforts:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, applaud the selection of Thomas Currier as Honorary Co-Chair of the 1904 World's Fair Charitable Foundation Board; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Thomas Currier.

Offered by _____
Representative Vicki A. Schneider
District No. 17

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 1687, adopted April 9, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker